ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION I - BOSTON

DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

CLASS. NO. 1200 DELEGATION NO. 14-8-B

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THE COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE, COMPENSATION, AND LIABILITY ACT (CERCLA)

14-8-B. Studies and Investigations Related to Cost Recovery and Enforcement Decisions; Special Notice

1. PURPOSE AND LEGAL AUTHORITY.

A. <u>Purpose</u>.

- (1) To redelegate the authorities contained in Delegation 14-8-B issued by EPA Headquarters on January 18, 2017.
- (2) Revised to conform with the structure implemented by the Region I reorganization, dated September 29, 1995.
- B. <u>Authority</u>. Pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), as amended, including Sections 104 and 122, to make determinations as to the necessity and appropriateness of studies and investigations related to the recovery of response costs and the enforcement of the provision of this Act, and to undertake such studies and investigations; and to make decisions, determinations, findings, notifications and non-binding allocations of responsibility under Section 122.
- 2. <u>TO WHOM REDELEGATED</u>. This authority is redelegated concurrently to:
 - A. The Director, Office of Site Remediation and Restoration (OSRR);
 - B. The Managers of the Emergency Planning and Response, OSRR; and
 - C. The Managers of the Remediation and Restoration I and II, OSRR.

3. <u>REDELEGATION AUTHORITY</u>.

- A. These authorities may not be redelegated any further.
- B. An official who redelegates an authority retains the right to exercise or withdraw the authority. Redelegated authority may be exercised by any official in the chain of command down to the official to whom it has been specifically redelegated.

4. LIMITATIONS.

A. Prior to exercising the authority to make decisions, determinations, findings, notifications and non-binding allocations of responsibility under Section 122, delegatees shall obtain the concurrence

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of the Superfund Legal Manager, Legal Enforcement Office, Office of Environmental Stewardship (OES), or his/her designee. The Superfund Legal Manager, Legal Enforcement Office, OES, or his/her designee, may waive concurrence in writing.

- B. The Superfund Legal Manager, Legal Enforcement Office, OES, or his/her designee, is responsible for any necessary consultation with the Manager, Legal Enforcement Office, OES, or his/her designee, and the Regional Counsel, or his/her designee, regarding significant counseling issues.
- C. These authorities may not be redelegated without the concurrence of the Regional Directives Officer, Human Resources Office, Office of Administration and Resource Management.

5. ADDITIONAL REFERENCES.

- A. Sections 106 and 107 of CERCLA.
- B. All applicable U.S. Environmental Protection Agency guidance and directives.
- C. See EPA Delegation 14-6 for issuance of Section 104(e) requests.
- 6. <u>SUPERSESSION</u>. Region I Delegation 14-8-B, dated September 3, 1996.

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Office of Site Remediation and Restoration

Date